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In re Patent Application of:)
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For: **CONVERSION OF UNSATURATED CHEMICALS TO OLIGOMERS**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 15, 2000, please enter the amendments below and consider the following remarks.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

A1
~~1. (Amended) An oligomerization process comprising contacting a hydrocarbon feedstock comprising sulfur-containing molecules with a hydrotreating catalyst in the absence of hydrogen.~~

A2
~~3. (Amended) The process according to Claim 1, [wherein said hydrocarbon feedstock comprises sulfur-containing molecules and] wherein said sulfur-containing molecules are oligomerized.~~

Please add the following new claim: